

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Replace the four sheets of drawings of Figs. 3, 10, 13 and 14 with the enclosed four replacement sheets of drawings of Figs. 3, 10, 13 and 14.

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment makes clarifying amendments to the drawings, specification and claims. This Preliminary Amendment amends the claims to conform to United States patent practice. Figs. 3 and 10 have been amended to change the reference letters A-A, B-B and C-C for the section lines to 4-4, 5-5 and 11-11, respectively. The specification has been amended to be consistent with the amendments to Figs. 3 and 10 of the drawings. As to Figs. 13 and 14, the legend PRIOR ART has been added to those figures. No subject matter has been surrendered and no new subject matter has been added. The amendments are for clarification purposes and are not for substantial or statutory reasons related to patentability.

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